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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 26th, 1908.

In taking up the subject of legal holidays in this Colony, as they affect the facilitation of otherwise of public business, we do not believe there is any real necessity to offer approval and support to the protest of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce against extension of the Long Vacation. It would, we presume to think, be "detrimental to the commercial interests of the Colony" to encourage the Bench and Bar to make holiday, often or for longer periods than it already does, but we also believe that the statement does not require to be proved. The Government, when it submitted the proposal for the consideration of the Chamber of Commerce, did not do so, we take it, as a matter of form. We hope that it recognised the considerable probability of commercial detriment, and it is important, perhaps, to note that the Chamber gave no off-hand decision, but deferred expression of opinion until after it had made full enquiry and careful consideration. Yet in the correspondence published, we are surprised to see that the CHIEF JUSTICE wrote to the Chairman almost as if sufficient consideration had not been bestowed on the subject. His Lordship's letter of February 8th to the Chairman of the Chamber strikes us as being analogous to a case of "contempt of court." Worse still, it strikes us as being less judiciously effective than we had a right to expect. Why should His Lordship write, concerning a decision of the Law

Society's committee, that "there is no other side, after the question has been decided by the whole committee," and then proceed to suggest that a decision of another committee should be less final? Looking at the dates of the correspondence, we note that perhaps His Lordship was merely combating the personal views of the Hon. Mr. Hewitt. Even so, we cannot allow His Lordship's extraordinary view of the finality of committee decisions to pass unremarked. It may be "difficult enough to get people in the Colony to undertake work on committees," but surely not that nor any other consideration whatever should allow the establishment, as a principle, of His Lordship's theory that all decisions by representative committees ought to be accepted unquestioningly and regarded like Persian or Median laws. Representatives occasionally misrepresent their constituents. All men are liable to err. We may go further, and say (referring only to committees in general) that the number of committeemen entitled to regard themselves as like Caesar's wife, above suspicion, cannot in the nature of things be very large. We have lately seen how a small committee at Shanghai, or rather, a section of a small committee there, has committed the members of the China Association to a policy from which many of them dissent, and how it has even succeeded in putting the British Government into a position that looks wrong.

Sir Francis Pigott's point that, after a committee has once made a decision, the principle of *substantiam parlem* loses all its value, reminds us in some way of the disgust of another gentleman who deplored the acts of a section of a Shanghai committee outweighed by undoubtedly respectful sentiment toward the established institution they ostensibly represented. In the present case, fortunately, there are two sides entitled to a respectful hearing, and though we would not undervalue the decision of the committee of the local Law Society, which His Lordship considers should have settled the matter, we cannot help regarding the case of the minority as being exceedingly well put.

We understand that it has been proposed that the Long Vacation established by Ordinance No. 8 of 1898 shall be extended for a further period of one month. By that Ordinance it was enacted that the following vacations should be observed, viz.: the Long Vacation from 2nd September to 17th October (27 days); Christmas Vacation 24th December to 1st January (8 days); Chinese New Year Vacation (5 days); and Easter Vacation (7 days) in all 47 days in the year. To this 47 days must be added 52 Saturdays and 52 Sundays, three race days, Whit Monday and the August Bank Holiday, Empire Day and King's Birthday. That is to say that on 158 days out of 365 the Courts are not sitting and another 30 days are now proposed to be added making 188 days or over half the year. We would submit that the proposed extension of the Long Vacation or indeed a long vacation at all is a needless in Hongkong and further that it is harmful. It must be borne in mind that the vast majority of cases in our Courts are between Chinese who do not understand and never can be made to understand why lengthy vacations are necessary. They have been accustomed in the past to prompt settlements of their cases and if such prompt settlements are delayed as they must be if the proposed extension of the vacation is carried through they will lose confidence in our Courts. Some of us can remember the time before the Vacation Ordinance of 1898 was passed. At that time the Courts worked year in and year out and there was no complaint from the Judges, the Solicitors or the litigants. It may be said that in England there is a Long Vacation lasting from the 1st August to the 15th October besides Christmas and Easter Vacations. This is perfectly true but it must be remembered that the Judges in England do not get one year's leave in every 3 or 4 and that during the sittings they are infinitely harder worked than the Judges here. The same remark applies to the Bar. The vacation is useless to us as solicitors as far as regards taking advantage of it by going away. There is always a certain amount of office work, Police Court, Summary Court and Conveyancing work to be done and we must remain here to do it. We therefore hope that the Chamber will express an adverse opinion to the proposed extension.

With any dissensions in the legal fraternity itself, the public should not be troubled, nor could they affect the decision of the Chamber of Commerce, except as they showed a want of unanimity, and so made their own decision easier. With regard to the issue itself, there are not really so many points to consider. It is a matter of public knowledge that in this Colony as elsewhere, holidays and adjournments have always interfered largely with business, and that the more of them there are, the more will be the public loss and inconvenience. We also can admit that in the matter of work and holidays all of us find it easy to be eloquent, easy to dilate on the amount of work we do, and the amount of rest we think we really need. Individual employers are no easier to persuade than has been the Chamber of Commerce, and as we trust the Government will prove to be in this instance. It is to be hoped that the application will be dealt with as the Chamber advised, and that it will not too hurriedly be made again, especially if there is to be any soreness or heat displayed over it. The vast majority of workers in this Colony have not the slightest doubt that in the matter of holidays

and remuneration the legal fraternity is to be envied, and we really do not see that they have anything to complain of, whereas if the suggested change had been made, the public would.

The English Mail of the 25th January was delivered in London on the 22nd inst.

The *Berlingske Tidende* stated that the date of King Edward and Queen Alexandra's visit to Copenhagen was to be between February 6 and 10.

The Scottish Football Association have given £500 to the unemployed. Considering the number of men who lose their jobs through excessive football watching, this is not unreasonable.

Lists for the forthcoming tennis and racquets tournaments at the H.K.C.C. are now posted in the Pavilion and at the Courts in Garden Road. They close on March 5th and February 29th respectively.

A telegram to London, dated Shanghai, January 23, said: There is every prospect that German firms will secure from China contracts to build four cruisers and forty torpedo-boats. The contracts will be concluded after the Chinese New Year.

Mr. James Duncan Campbell, C.M.G., 18, Clarendon Gardens, W., a Commander of the Chinese Order of the Double Dragon, late Commissioner of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs has died and left estate valued at £15,000.

We hear that Sir Robert Hart, Inspector-General of Customs, intends formally to hand over the charge of the Customs at the end of April, but Sir Robert Bredon has been acting since February 2nd.

The extra performance of "The Liars" last night was very successful, and the audience showed their pleasure in no uncertain manner. Undoubtedly the A.D.C. has considerably enhanced its reputation by this production.

Mrs. Mary Nelson, who has died at Carrick-on-Shannon at the age of one hundred and four, was one of Miss Nightingale's nursing staff in the Crimea, and witnessed the charge of the Light Brigade. She passed a jig on her last birthday.

Office boys and a shroff in the service of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, to the number of eighteen, were found by the police gambling, and on being brought before Mr. Haselard at the Magistrate's yesterday the first and second were fined \$100 each and the remainder \$5 each.

Mrs. Jennie Bigford has just married her fourteenth husband at Council Bluffs, Iowa. She was first married at the age of thirteen, and eleven of her husbands are still living, divorces having followed almost as quickly as the marriages. It is time she had a funeral for a change.

The Persian Minister for Foreign Affairs, and the President of Parliament have cabled to the Persian authorities in Bombay promising the prompt redress for the recent murder of Mr. Feizulla, a Persian banker and merchant in Teheran, and expressing the deep sympathy of Parliament.

A Mexico City telegram reports that three galeo islands, situated off the coast of Yucatan, one of the States of Mexico, entirely disappeared beneath the waves during January. The loss to the owners is estimated at many thousands of dollars. There does not appear to have been anyone on the islands when they sank.

A football match will be played this afternoon at the Happy Valley between the Hongkong Club "A" team and an eleven selected from the police. The players for the latter will be: Edwards, Cooke, Downie, Downey, McLeannan, Fox, Cooper, King, Ball, Sheehan and Charlton.

A telegram which was received at New York on Jan. 23th from Marysville, California, stated that seventy Hindu settlers had been driven out of the town by a mob of the inhabitants who seem to have a rooted objection to all coloured persons. It was added that the Hindus have appealed to the British Consul at San Francisco for protection.

Mr. Chow Ling Shang of the "Sheng Po" writes regarding the mathematical curiosity we printed on the 29th inst. that the root of $(4-2)^2$ should be 2 - 2 instead of 2 - 2. We do not reprint his formula, as it is not necessary. Other samples of mathematical juggling were sent in, but none so plausible.

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A. G. Stevens, Esq.	5.00
A Chinese Girl	5.00

Before a meeting of members of the Odd Volumes Society held last evening, and presided over by Sir Henry Barkley, Mr. E. D. Haskell delivered an interesting address in defence of the House of Lords. He told his hearers of the attack by the present Government on that House which he held was a necessary institution and served as a salutary check against hasty and unwise legislation. The constitution of the two chambers imported equity and stability to the Government, and the speaker maintained that the House of Lords was necessary and useful.

The *Koonys* returned to Welling-on (N.Z.) on January 22nd after having towed the *Alfred*, Lieutenant Shackleton's ship, with the British Antarctic Expedition on board, 1,500 miles to within a mile of the ice. Heavy gales prevailed from January 1 to January 15, when the two vessels parted company. The disconnection of the tow lines was extremely difficult owing to the innumerable icebergs. Lieutenant Shackleton reports that the *Alfred* is a wonderful sea-buff. His farewell signal was: "Crew all well; confident of success."

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Price and Officers, the band of the 129th Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday the 27th February, 1908 (weather permitting):
March "The Rouse" Eilenberg
Overture "Romantic" Kola Bela
Valse "Luna" Lindke
Selection "The Song of the Lark" Rubens
Two Steps "Clorinda" Ring
Piolo Solo "Pianoro" Green
Intermezzo "Endoria" Andran
Sketch "Way Down Towne" Knowles
God Save the King.

Laurence is no sign of mental inferiority, according to the Rev. Dr. Marie St. Croix Wright, an American Divine. He recently talked about the so-called inferior races before the League for Political Education, and endeavoured to show that their inferiority was not yet proved. "It is true they do not wish to work," he admitted, "but who does? Do you? If you could lie under a banana tree all day and eat part of the leaf and fan yourself with the other, do you think you would choose to do anything else? That is the religious paradise."

Yesterday morning the transport *Hardinge* arrived in port, bringing the 15th Rajputs. The vessel was visited by Captain Mitchell-Taylor, A.D.C., who welcomed the regiment on behalf of the Governor. The details were Major G. M. Evans, Major G. Walling, 16th Rajput, attached 13th, with wife, Captain E. A. Corbett, Lieutenant T. A. Davis, 8th Rajput, attached 13th, Lieutenant G. Bunbury, Lieutenant E. Marsh, second Lieutenant N. Falkland, Lieutenant W. A. Meares, L. M. S. Bandmaster C. T. Coke, wife and two children, one sub-Major, six subadars, nine jemadars, two hospital assistants, 783 rank and file, 78 police followers, nine private followers and four chargers.

According to advices which reached Calcutta before the departure of the last mail, Sir Ugyen Wangchuk, the Tongpa Penlop, was formally installed on the gadi of Bhutan in a durbar at Punakha, the capital, held on December 17, in the presence of a complimentary British mission, headed by Sir Claude White. All the leading Bhutanese officials were present, and after the installation, accepted the Tongpa Penlop as their hereditary chief, in substitution of the arcaic system hitherto adopted under which the elective Deb Rajas, holding office usually for three years, had had the supremacy in temporal affairs, while spiritual rule has been vested in the Dharmas Rajas. Sir Ugyen Wangchuk, who has thus become the founder of a Bhutanese dynasty, was awarded the decoration of K.C.I.E. some three years since for his active co-operation with Sir Francis Younghusband in negotiating the Tibetan treaty following on the expedition to Lhasa.

The new 33-knot "tribal" type destroyer *Tartar*, built by Messrs. John I. Thornycroft and Co. (Limited), which maintained a speed of 35.363 knots throughout a six hours' trial, and 37.037 knots as the best single run, in December last, carried off the official 24 hours' fuel consumption trial on January 17 and 18. The trial was entirely successful. The stipulated speed of 13 knots while running economically was exceeded, the actual speed during the period being 13.105 knots, while the consumption of the Thornycroft boilers using oil fuel was within the limit provided for in the Admiralty contract. Messrs. Thornycroft successfully launched another of the first-class torpedo-boats they are constructing at their Southampton works. This vessel, No. 20, is 190ft. long, and similar in general respects to the other vessels (originally called coastal destroyers) which have been launched from the same yard. The guaranteed speed is 26 knots, and the boilers will use oil fuel.

NEW LAW OFFICES OF THE CROWN.

MR. S. T. EVANS, ESQ., TO BE SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Commenting on the news (already published by us) that Sir W. S. Robson, K.C., M.P., has been appointed Attorney-General in succession to the late Sir J. Lawson Walton, and that Mr. S. T. Evans, K.C., M.P., has been appointed Solicitor-General in succession to Sir William Robson, a contemporary remarks:

Mr. S. T. Evans, who thus becomes a member of the Government, began his professional career as a solicitor, and was not called to the Bar until he was thirty-two.

He is an eloquent Welshman of the same type as Mr. Lloyd George, and has done excellent service to the Liberal party and to Nonconformists since he entered Parliament 18 years ago. He first attracted attention in the House of Commons by his attack on the Established Church.

He is forty-eight years old and has been married twice. Mr. Evans' elevation will mean a by-election in Mid Glamorgan. He has been unopposed at the last two elections, and in 1900 his majority was nearly 5,000. The miners the other day adopted Mr. Vernon Bartlett as their candidate in the event of a by-election.

Sir William Robson has been Solicitor-General since 1906.

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TELEGRAMS.

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THE TYNE STRIKES.

LONDON, February 25th.

The strike of the Tyne engineers has been provisionally arranged, but that of the shipbuilders continues.

NAVY AND ARMY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, February 25th.

The Navy estimates for the current year are £32,310,500, an increase of £900,000. They provide for the construction of one battleship, one armoured cruiser, six protected cruisers and sixteen destroyers.

The Army estimates provide for an expenditure of £27,459,000, which is a decrease of £301,000 on the previous year, and entails a decrease in the strength of 5000 men.

FIFTH TEST MATCH.

LONDON, February 25th.

Australia's score in the second innings stands at 357 for the loss of six wickets. Of this total Trumper compiled 166 runs.

KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

The ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited, was held yesterday morning at the offices of the Company, Victoria Buildings. Mr. T. F. Hough presided, and there were also present Messrs. A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary), A. Rodger, H. Pinckney, M. S. Northcott, J. M. E. Machado, and E. Bruce Shepherd.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting. The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen—With your permission I will take the report and accounts as read, and in presenting them to you for adoption I regret that they show an appreciable diminution in the net return on the past year's working. As you are aware the Company's property consists of two lots of land in Kowloon, on one of which is built a block of sixteen houses known as Knutsford Terrace, and on the other, a block of three houses called Canton Villas. In Knutsford Terrace we have had for a little time six of the houses vacant, although we have been prepared to accept lower rentals than have been obtainable for some years. This is no doubt accountable for by the large number of cheaper houses rented nearer the Ferry Wharf, but your Directors confidently hope that with an increase of the European population in Kowloon our property may again yield the same returns as it has in the past, though some little time will possibly elapse before this takes place. The three houses in Canton Villas are fully occupied. The net returns for the year have consequently been about \$5,500 lower than that for 1906 which will only enable us to pay a dividend of \$1.75 per share. Notwithstanding this falling off in the revenue, which we hope and believe is only temporary, your Directors feel satisfied that our assets are more than worth the sum they stand at in our books. If any shareholder wishes for further information I shall be pleased to give it.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report and accounts, as presented.

Mr. MACHADO seconded, and the motion was carried.

The appointment of Messrs. T. F. Hough and H. Pinckney as directors was confirmed on the motion of Mr. NORTHCOTE, seconded by Mr. MACHADO.

Mr. MACHADO proposed the re-election of Messrs. Hough and Pinckney as directors. Mr. SHEPHERD seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mr. C. W. May was re-elected auditor on the motion of Mr. SHEPHERD, seconded by Mr. MACHADO.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow, gentlemen; many thanks for your attendance.

HARASSED ADMIRAL.

NINE FLAGSHIPS IN A LITTLE OVER NINE MONTHS.

Although there are something over 200 vessels in the Home "Fleet" all told, it does not seem at all unlikely that they will all before very long have had the honour of serving as the flagship of the Commander-in-Chief.

Since Vice-Admiral Sir Francis Bridgman's flagship has nominally been the *Dreadnought*, but that ship has been engaged so much on experimental work, both at sea and in dock at Portsmouth, that the harassed admiral has been driven from pillar to post in search of a flagship.

In her absence the battleships *Majestic*, *Magnificent*, *London*, and *Victorious* (twice), the scout *Adventure*, and the destroyer *Lightning* have all borne the honour of the Commander-in-Chief's flag, which was hoisted in it last ship, the cruiser *Charley*, last month. The remarkable fact is that, in spite of this plethora of flagships, the admiral himself has been to sea since March for about a month, having an official residence at Sheerness.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

The ordinary half yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., was held at the office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, at noon yesterday. Mr. R. Shewan presided, other shareholders present being Messrs. G. Friedland, F. A. Gomer, W. Helms, C. R. Loumann, C. H. Ross, C. Thiel, A. Fuchs (directors), Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs. J. M. Machado, D. D. Gaudar, J. L. Hutchinson, T. F. Hough, E. Georg, A. Denison, A. H. M. Silva, L. Berindague, W. Dowley, Chan Siu-ki, J. Arnold and others.

The SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen, The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some days we will with your permission take them as read. The result of the half year's working compares very favourably with that of the previous six months, showing as it does not a very substantial increase in the amount standing at credit of profit and loss account, but this is due more to diminished cost of repairs and reduced expenditure than to any improvement in trade or passenger traffic. During the big Chinese Procession in the beginning of December there was only a very moderate increase in the passenger traffic on our lines—due largely to the bad weather prevailing at the time. The loss in Exchange of Chinese subsidiary earnings amounted to \$19,489.80 during the six months working, but this is an item that I hope will not become a permanent tax. Severe Chinese competition on the Canton-Macao line caused such a loss in the working of the small steamer "Laugham" that your Board withdrew the vessel from the line, pending other arrangements. This particular trade has been stagnant and without profit for many years, but with an economical and suitable vessel employed we shall hope to hold our own on the run. The matter has the attention of your Board. Increasing competition in which the actual owners of the vessels seldom recover or appear to look for any return on their outfit makes the opposition so much harder for us to struggle against, and in consequence your Board have to make greater efforts to obtain what we consider our fair share of the business. At the same time this Company is in a strong position, and well-equipped to contend with any opposition, and with close attention to details and economy, we think we are justified in looking forward to as favourable results in the future as are shown in the last half year's working. The statement of accounts as presented will, I hope, be considered satisfactory, and I trust that the proposed appropriation of profits will meet with your approval. Turning to the accounts you will notice that a more equal system of docking and repairing the fleet has been devised, by docking a certain number of vessels each six months. In this connection we are anxious to build up a special repairs fund for the purpose of meeting the cost of any special repairs that will be necessary in the future, and have therefore recommended the allocation of \$30,000 from the profits to commence such a fund. Loans on mortgage have been reduced by \$40,000 in order to increase the margin of safety. The mortgage of a property in the Eastern District having become bankrupt and unable to pay the interest on the loan advanced, we have entered into possession and the interest due and other outgoings amounting to \$4367.38, have been deducted from the interest on investment accounts. All properties mortgaged to the Company have been surveyed and revalued by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, and the loans show a satisfactory margin of safety. The Company's holding in shares of public companies has been increased by \$73,414.15, affording, in the opinion of your Board, all good and safe investments. Turning to the accounts you will notice that, as is usual, we have adjusted the value of share investments held by the Company in accordance with the quotation current at the end of the year. Since the closing of the accounts for the half-year I am pleased to inform you that the claims for the "Saimen" Piracy have been settled. I do not think that there is anything else that calls for particular comment, but should any shareholder require any further information I shall have pleasure in answering any questions.

There were no questions, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. Hough—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I rise to second the adoption of the report and accounts. It is very satisfactory to all of us, I am sure, to see that there is an increase of profit in profit and loss account, but I am afraid that that increase is from a source from which we can hardly expect to see it come again. We have been told by the Chairman that it is owing to economy in the working of the Company and a diminution in the cost of repairs. We all know what false economy it would be for us to skip the cost, but let us hope that the volume of trade will supply any defect or shortage in the future. With regard to the loss in exchange it is appalling that there should be \$19,500 to be written off on this account, but I am glad to hear our Chairman say he is hopeful that this item will be minimised in the future. Personally I must say, although I would like to be optimistic in the matter, that I am afraid it is a factor which will have to be dealt with for many years to come. It hits all those who have small accounts with the Chinese, seeing that the payments are made in this absurd subsidiary earnings, but we must meet the loss as best we can. It is in a measure gratifying to know that the "Saimen" piracy account has been settled, but unfortunately no monetary payments can be made back to those who were so dearly done to death on one of our steamers, but the recent

demonstration of our navy on the West River will no doubt have a deterrent effect in the future. With regard to the opposition we are meeting just now, which the Chairman says the committee is handling, I am afraid you must always expect that. We cannot hope to be in an unassailable position, and must always look for certain opposition. That opposition has been met in the past by our committee and our manager in a most able manner, and we look forward with every confidence to their continuing in the future as they have done in the past. With these few remarks I beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously. The appointment of Mr. G. Priestland as a director was confirmed on the motion of Mr. DENISON, seconded by Mr. MACRADO.

Dr. NOLAN proposed the re-election of the retiring auditors, Messrs. A.O.D. Gourdin and W. H. Potts.

The motion was seconded by Mr. SIMA and agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants are ready now.

SHORTHAND IN HONGKONG.

The certificates won at the first examination conducted by the new shorthand committee for Hongkong, together with theory certificates gained apart from the committee, were presented at St. Joseph's College yesterday afternoon by Lady Lugard. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, chairman of the committee, presided, and there were present His Lordship Bishop Pizzoni, Consul-General Romano, Mr. A. J. Brackenbury, Mrs. Judith the Very Reverend Father D. Maria, Pro-Vicar Apostolic, the Rev. Father Augustine, military chaplain, and others.

The CHAIRMAN extended a very hearty welcome to Lady Lugard for kindly consenting to attend that first distribution of speed certificates since the new committee was appointed, and also for kindly agreeing to present the three speed certificates won at the examination. Two of the certificates were for notes taken at the rate of 80 words per minute and transcribed, and one certificate was for 80 words per minute with transcription. Her Excellency had also consented to present other certificates, two full certificates of proficiency and several other certificates for theory. As they were all aware, the speed committee had only been recently appointed and had held one examination. As a result of that examination the three certificates which he had mentioned first would now be handed to those who had gained them. They hoped to hold another examination at the end of June and trusted that not only the boys from schools, but also the students from the Technical Institute, who he understood were busy working at shorthand at the present moment, would compete. He hoped that the first distribution of certificates would encourage all those who had been thinking of going in to take the matter up seriously.

LADY LUGARD then presented the certificates after which she requested two of the successful students to take a shorthand note of the remarks of Mr. S. Kingsbury, the hon. secretary, who said that the boys wished to present Lady Lugard with a "silver trowel" of shorthand, a fountain pen, in recognition of the foundation work in shorthand that day. He then introduced Master Segura Carlos, who had come first in the 80 words test.

Master CARLOS presented Her Excellency with a Swan fountain pen in a silver case and neatly expressed the gratitude of the boys to Lady Lugard for the encouragement she had given them and for the honour conferred upon them.

LADY LUGARD, who was received with loud applause, thanked the boys from her heart for their most beautiful present—a "silver trowel." It would always remind her of the beginning of shorthand in Hongkong in which she took a special interest and sympathy because she had struggled through the beginning of it herself, and knew what a lot of difficulty and what industry and patience were necessary in order to get anywhere past that 60 word mark which she had never passed. It was a long time since she had learned it, and she hoped that the boys would put their knowledge of shorthand to a better use than she had done. All she had done with hers was to utilize it a little for notes and for household receipts. The other day, having entered into a struggle with a Chinese washerman on the property of washing of white flannel, she hunted up an old receipt which she had preserved and to her horror found that it was written in shorthand. (Laughter.) She had the greatest difficulty in reading it. At last she deciphered something about putting something into cold water but what that something was she had the greatest difficulty in discovering. She looked and looked and ultimately found out that it was a receipt written under the vowel points (laughter). Continuing, Her Excellency hoped that the boys would carry their shorthand through further than she had done and that they would have no struggles over points. With hearty good wishes for their success she had great pleasure in accepting their charming present.

Three hearty cheers were given by the boys for Lady Lugard, and the proceedings terminated.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 25th at 11.50 a.m.—The barometer has fallen over China, and risen over Japan and the Loochoos.

The low area lying to the South of Japan yesterday has moved away Eastwards. Pressure is highest over Shanghai and the Yellow Sea. It is still relatively low over the S. part of the China Sea.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.09 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—
Hongkong & N. neighbourhood N.E. to E. winds, fresh, fair.
Formosa Channel Same as N.E. L.
South coast of China between Same as No. 1.
Hongkong and Loochoos.
South coast of China between Same as No. 1.
Hongkong and Hainan.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, February 25th.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

THE SWATOW REFORMER LIBERATED.

In the matter of *In Kai-shing*, and in the matter of the Chinese Extradition Ordinance No. 7 of 1899. In this matter Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, appeared for the appellant, and the Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. W. Ross Davies, instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, for the Crown. Their Lordships delivered reserved judgments in this matter.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S DECISION.

His Honour the Chief Justice, after reviewing the facts of the case and dealing with the many interesting points raised, said—Extradition is the voluntary surrender by the state of the "right of asylum" in any special case under a treaty. This right is no ardent figure of speech; it is the consequence of the fundamental doctrine that all crime is local, that criminal laws are territorial, and that no country will enforce the criminal laws of any other country. The "right of asylum" means even more than this. It means that the fugitive is a free man, and is entitled to participate with subjects in so far as the text is not limited to subjects, in the liberties of the people; liberties which were infringed by such action as was condoned in *Wells's* case. To all this extradition forms an exception. The Legislature has taken the matter in hand, and has indicated the procedure which may and must be adopted to give effect to it. That procedure must be followed. I decline to subscribe to the doctrine, which is practically the argument forced upon the Crown in this case owing to the practice which has grown up in the Colony, that any procedure will do so long as the fugitive is caught, and so long as some regular step is taken during the proceedings at some time or other. The fugitive has a right then, and there to come to the Courts to be set at liberty, and I do not understand how, because sometimes must elapse before the matter can be fully gone into, that is to be looked upon as a period of grace during which irregularities and informality may be put straight. But here there was nothing regular at all. There was no order made as required by section 7, and as indicated in the forms in the schedule; nothing more than the usual slip of paper directed to the Superintendent of the Jail. The undermentioned prisoner is required for re-examination at this Court. Remanded case No. 302. Defendant, *In Kai-shing*. This is absolutely the only document which was used after receipt of the Governor's order. But a little more examination reveals what actually took place. After the magistrate had issued his provisional warrant the prisoner was brought before him and remanded for a week, and then again remanded for a week, and then the order being received, the document I have just referred to was issued. I can find no justification in the Ordinance for this procedure, though the form of the actual warrant given in the schedule (which was not in fact used), seems to warrant it. But forms in schedules, for the very good reason that they are never quite so carefully drafted as they ought to be, are to be construed by the light of the Ordinance of which they form part. Section 8 does not require the fugitive to be brought up before the magistrate until the Governor's order is received. Of itself a remand warrant would not be such an order as the law requires, but apart from this an illegal remand warrant can have no such curative effect as is claimed for it in this case. At every point, therefore, I am of opinion that the procedure traced out by the Ordinance has not been complied with, and as I have said some of this procedure is not merely form, but depends on principle. I am therefore of opinion that the writ of *habeas corpus* should be made absolute and the prisoner discharged. We were invited to express our opinion on the facts of the case whether or not this crime which *In Kai-shing* said he will be tried for if he is extradited is or is not a political offence. We indicated to the learned Attorney-General that we did not desire him to proceed with this part of his argument, but would call on Sir Henry Berkeley to argue in favour of the contention of his client, should we think it necessary. I am not prepared to go further than this. And so far as the question whether or not there was sufficient evidence to justify the magistrate in committing the prisoner, I can only repeat what I said during the hearing; it would require a very strong case indeed for me to differ in the first place from the learned magistrate, and in the second place from my learned brother, who has already expressed his opinion on the point as well as on the political question. It was for that reason that here also we did not wish to hear the learned Attorney-General any further on that point.

The full text of the Chief Justice's judgment will appear in future issues.

THE PRISONER JUDGE'S OPINION.

Mr. Justice WISE said—*In Kai-shing* came before me in November last on a writ of *habeas corpus* and on hearing Counsel on both sides I discharged the rule. The case now comes before the Full Court, in one form as an appeal from my decision. I may state at once that I entirely agree with that decision on the facts and arguments as originally laid before me, but on the hearing before the Full Court a number of new points were taken and I have no doubt that if the case had been laid before me then as it was, subsequently I should have discharged the man, and these subsequent proceedings would have been unnecessary.

The learned Chief Justice has gone fully into all the points for future guidance in similar cases, so I shall simply confine myself to one point, which seems to me to go to the root of

the matter and entitles *In Kai-shing* to his discharge. That point is connected with section 748 of the Ordinance. Section 7 says that on receipt of the Governor's order the Magistrate shall issue his warrant, or if the fugitive is already in custody, shall issue his order, a form of which is given. It is clear to me that the words "already in custody" refer to Section 8, and that therefore the Magistrate ought to have issued his order which he did not do. I do not agree with the argument that the words "already in custody" mean in custody on some other charge, for the Magistrate would have had to issue his warrant on the Governor's order. Again the warrant which the Magistrate did issue under Section 8 for some reason is called a provisional warrant and the word "provisional," if it has any meaning, must mean that something additional is required to perfect it, viz., the order, which is absent here, so the warrant was never perfected. I do not think that the remand orders of the Magistrate are equivalent to the orders referred to in Section 7 and therefore I do not think that the procedure laid down in the Ordinance has been followed; therefore, I think that the man is illegally detained. Also, I do not think that the original information was sufficient to justify a warrant.

With reference to the question of an antecedent engagement, I am still of opinion that the cases of *Bonvier* and *Alles Woodhall* are not on all fours with the present case, as they only dealt with the question of legal provision and not with arrangement or engagement. See the judgment of Lord Coleridge (16 Cox C.C. p. 487). However, I think that it would be better if the engagement was obtained at an early date, for if the receipt of it is deferred to the last moment a man might be handed over by mistake without any such engagement and without any chance of applying to the Court. In any case so far as the Court is aware there is no such engagement in existence at present. I have already expressed my opinion on the question of political offence and also as to whether the Magistrate was justified in committing, and need not repeat it. It follows, therefore, that *In Kai-shing* is entitled to his discharge.

COSTS AGAINST THE CROWN.

Sir Henry Berkeley—I would ask that the rule absolute be made with costs.

The Chief Justice—I am afraid we cannot give costs.

Sir Henry Berkeley—In the Court below the action was dismissed with costs.

The Chief Justice—We considered the question of costs against the Crown in a recent case.

Sir Henry Berkeley—We are not asking for costs against the Crown but against the person detaining him in prison, or against the person in charge of Victoria Jail. No doubt the costs will be paid by the Crown for him.

The Chief Justice—Is there any authority? I should like to have some.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Yes there are a number of cases, and it is obviously unjust that the man should not get them when, as the Court has held, he has been illegally detained.

The Chief Justice—The order down below was against the applicant.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Certainly, and it was discharged with costs. I would refer your Lordships to 20, Queen's Bench Division, section 37. I am the appellant and ask for costs on the appeal and costs in the Court below where they were given against me.

The Chief Justice—We must look into the authorities.

The Attorney-General—I need scarcely say I am opposed to the application entirely. As a matter of fact, in the case which my learned friend cites, the Court in its discretion, refused costs.

The Court reserved its decision on the question.

Sir Henry Berkeley then asked their Lordships to order the prisoner to be forthwith discharged, and the Chief Justice informed him that he would be released as soon as possible.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PAGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

CLAIM ON A BILL OF EXCHANGE.

Lung Sin-Hoy, trading as the Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm of Singapore, brought action against the Cheong Wing firm of 75, Bonham Strand, bankers, Wong Long-him of the same address, the Wing Tung Sun firm of 257, Des Vaux Road, Central, merchants, the Wing Cheong firm of 129, Des Vaux Road West and Li Lai-nam, merchant, as the drawers of a bill of exchange for \$1,000 dated January 7th, 1907, and drawn by the defendants upon the plaintiff, and payable to the order of the Netherlands India Commercial Bank 21 days after sight, payment whereof was made by the plaintiff on the 8th February 1907 to the Netherlands India Commercial Bank. Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. F. C. Master (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. P. Sydney Dixon (of Mr. B. A. Harding's office) for the defendants.

The statement of claim read:—The plaintiff is a merchant trading as the Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm at No. 60, China Street, Singapore, in the Straits Settlements. The defendants, the Cheong Wing firm, are bankers carrying on business at No. 75, Bonham Strand, and the defendant, Wong Long Him, is the managing partner of the Cheong Wing firm. The defendants—the Wing Tung Sun firm—are merchants carrying on business at No. 257, Des Vaux Road, Central, and the defendant, Li Lai-nam, is managing partner. The defendants, the Wing Cheong firm, were until recently carrying on business as merchants, at No. 129, Des Vaux Road West, and the defendant, Li Lai-nam, was until re-

cently the managing partner of the defendants, the Wing Cheong firm. The defendants, the Wing Cheong firm, have recently ceased business, and the defendant, Li Lai-nam, has recently absconded from the Colony. On or about the 7th January, 1907, the defendants requested the plaintiff to accept for the defendants' accommodation a bill of exchange for \$10,000 which was drawn by the defendants on the plaintiff and payable at 21 days after sight in favour of the Netherlands India Commercial Bank at Singapore, and impliedly promised to indemnify the plaintiff from any loss or damage by reason of his accepting the said bill of exchange. The plaintiff accordingly accepted the said bill for the defendants' accommodation. The defendants did not indemnify the plaintiff from loss or damage by reason of his accepting the said bill and the plaintiff as acceptor of the bill was obliged to pay to the bank, the holders thereof, the amount of the bill. The defendants have not now any of them paid to the plaintiff the said sum of \$10,000 or any part thereof, and the same is now due and owing by the defendants to the plaintiff together with interest from the 7th day of February, 1907, the date of the maturity of the bill. The plaintiff therefore claims:—Payment by defendants to the plaintiff of the sum of \$10,000 together with interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum from the 7th February until payment or judgment.

The statement of defence read:—The defendants do not admit that the plaintiff traded as the Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm, at No. 60, China Street, Singapore, and they deny that they at any time requested the plaintiff to accept any bill of exchange for their accommodation. The defendants do not admit that the plaintiff accepted the bill of exchange sued upon in this action, and deny that the said bill of exchange was accepted for the defendants' accommodation or that the said bill of exchange was drawn by the defendants, the Wing Cheong firm, on the Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm, as value. The defendants draw the said bill of exchange as sureties to the Netherlands India Commercial Bank for the due payment of the said bill of exchange by the said Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm, or by the defendants, the Wing Cheong firm, and Li Lai-nam, in the event of the said bill of exchange being dishonoured by the said Chin Fung Hoi Kee firm.

Evidence was called, and the case adjourned.

£4,100 FOR AUSTRALIAN LOSS OF TRADE IN MARSHALL ISLANDS.

Melbourne, January 21.

Germany has paid Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co. the sum of £4,100 in full settlement of the firm's claims for compensation for the loss of its trade with the Marshall Islands.

It is two years since Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co., of Sydney formulated their claim against Germany for the exclusion of trade from the Marshall Islands, in contravention of the treaty in reference to the Western Pacific signed in 1885 by which, German and British traders were granted equal privileges in the Gilbert group. In the endeavour to keep the copra trade of the Marshall Islands exclusively in German hands, prosperous charges for trading licenses were in 1904 imposed on the Australian firm's ships, and subsequently in addition an export tax of 30 marks per ton was imposed on the copra. As a result, the vessels trading from Sydney made several abortive voyages, and very heavy expenses were incurred.

As the result of strong representations made by the Australian Government, and communicated to Berlin through the Foreign Office, the restrictions complained of were removed by Germany. The question of the compensation due to Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co. remained. After modification by the Law Officers of the Crown, the compensation claimed was put at £12,750, so that Germany has finally got off cheaply by the payment of less than a third.

CHINESE IMPERIAL DECREES.

A Decree dated Peking, February 14, says:—Peking is densely populated and whenever there is an increase in the value of goods, the poor are greatly affected. Recently the price of goods has been very much raised owing to the dearth of silver and the abundance of copper coins. In consequence of this, We hereby command the Ministry of Finance to pay The 500,000 in silver to the Governor of Peking, who is ordered to select a government or private bank to purchase back copper coins with this sum in order to prevent any further increase in the price of silver, and at the same time to stop all the merchants in Peking from selling goods at an unreasonable price. The Ministry of Posts and Communications and the Superintendent of the Customs and the Octroi of Peking are also commanded to prohibit the practice of bringing in large quantities of copper coins. Should any persons be found to have minted coins for circulation, they will be arrested and punished according to law through the Ministry of the Interior, or by the Viceroy of Chihli province, the Governor of Peking or the General Commandant of the Gendarmes. When the price of silver comes to the normal standard, the said Governor of Peking shall refund the Ministry of Finance the sum of The 500,000. Chen Phi, President of the Ministry of Posts and Communications, who has practical acquaintance with such matters, is ordered to co-operate with the said Governor of Peking in carrying out this measure and to act in such a way as to meet Our wishes.

Another dated February 15 says:—The Emperor will personally sacrifice at the Temple of Heaven and Earth on the 2nd day of the 2nd moon (March 4).

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. str. *Borneo* left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. at 10.30 a.m. The Indo-China str. *Poikang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about 9th inst. The I.K.M. str. *Katharine* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 30th inst. The I.K.M. str. *Katharine* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 30th inst. The I.K.M. str. *Katharine* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 30th inst.

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LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL SHIELD COMPETITION.

THE REGIMENTAL TEAM ORIENTANCE.

Mr. Frank Brown, who was Secretary of the Shield Competition when it was started some years ago, sends us the following history:—

In 1895, under the auspices of the Hong Kong Football Club, a competition for a cup to be won outright was inaugurated. A committee was formed consisting of the Club Committee and representatives of some other clubs. Rules were drawn up, and at first it seemed as if the idea of the proposed competition would have to be given up entirely, as the representative of the British Regiment insisted on its entering as one team, while other members of the Committee considered that the usefulness of the competition would be best served by the Regiment and the Royal Artillery playing in companies only. In the discussion it was contended that battleships had as many men to draw from as the Regiment had. But it was also pointed out by other representatives that ships' teams had so few opportunities for practice, that it was only fair that company teams should be pitted against them. Also, it seemed essential and desirable in every way, that football should be participated in by as many players as possible. Eventually, objection was withdrawn and playing by companies was approved. Seventeen teams entered for that Cup and the success of the movement was so great, that in the following season the public were invited to subscribe to a permanent trophy. The amount necessary was easily raised and the Shield Competition proper commenced. The following table shows its progress:—

Season.	No. of teams entered.	Winner.
1896-7	13	H.M.S. "Centurion"
1897-8	21	G. Company, R.L.I.
1898-9	18	Hongkong F.C.
1899-1900	15	G. Company, I.W.F.
1900-1	18	Siege train
1901-2	12	A. Company, I.W.F.
1902-3	14	H.M.S. "Glory"
1903-4	13	H.M.S. "Albion"
1904-5	15	West Kent Regiment
1905-6	11	H.M.S. "Diadem"
1906-7	11	Royal Artillery

The Shield Committee for the competition now going on (1908) determined to revert to the original rules as in force from 1896 to 1903. It will be seen from the above table that during this period company teams had done well. The change of rules in 1903 was a departure from the original idea of the competition, namely, to spread football over as many players as possible. The Shield Committee in 1903 saw that ships' teams were showing such improvement, that they acceded to the request of some representatives and permitted a Regimental team. However the competition was not improved. As far as Regimental teams have been concerned, play has been no better than (competent critics say it was distinctly inferior to) the form previously exhibited by company teams. In addition, as ships on the station became less numerous, there seemed a possibility of the competition coming to an end on account of the small number of entries.

Although reversion to the original rules may seem at first a little hard to the British Regiment, the Royal Artillery, and the Royal Engineers, the facts given above seem to justify the Shield Committee's action. Moreover, as the Regiments decided to abide by the rules, and entered several teams, the members of these company teams have probably had much more football than they would have been likely to have had, with but one team entered from the Regiment.

A Cup presented by Mr. W. A. Crake was raced for by the O.Y.C. one-design yachts on Sunday. Winds were variable and uncertain, and tides runs frequent. The "Spray" won in 4h. 7m. 15s., with "Doris" second with 4h. 9m. 50s. Other times were "Gael" 4h. 16m. 40s., "Athens" 4h. 18m. 45s. and "Tourette" 4h. 22m. 5s.

The large cruisers raced nine miles out and home (through Lyman's Pass) and Mr. Kaw's "Australian" won easily. Owing to the time limit having been fixed regardless of tides, it was exceeded by all, and we understand, the race is not to count.

The following story is told in an American magazine of Grover Cleveland. When he was practicing law in Buffalo one of his friends was a lazy young lawyer who was forever pestering him with questions about legal points that he could just as well have looked up for himself. Even Cleveland's patience had an end. One day his friend entered he remarked: "There are my books. Help yourself to them. You can look up your own case." The lazy lawyer stared at him in amazement. "See here, Grover Cleveland," he said indignantly, "I want you to understand that you and your old books can go to thunder. You know very well that I don't read law. I practise entirely by ear."

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SUICIDE OF MR. E. DE BAVIER.

The N.C. Daily News of February 18th says:—The news of the tragic death of Mr. E. de Bavier, head of the firm of Messrs. E. Bavier & Co. yesterday came as a great shock to the business community of Shanghai amongst whom his keen intellect and attractive personality had made for him many warm friends. Business was proceeding as usual when, about 1.30 a.m., Mr. de Bavier's No. 1 boy dashed into the office and announced that his master had shot himself. Messrs. E. M. Berthel and H. J. Burkhardt, at once entered Mr. de Bavier's private house, which is attached to the premises at 44 Szechuan Road, and made their way to Mr. de Bavier's bedroom. Mr. Berthel, who was the first to enter, found Mr. de Bavier lying in bed on his back, with a revolver in his right hand. Although the pulse was then beating Mr. de Bavier died almost immediately. The deceased was transacting some business about a quarter of an hour before the boy heard the report of the discharge of a revolver. The servant states that he heard two shots fired. Later in the day the Coroner's officer, Mr. G. W. King's presence, found two bullets, one immediately behind the bed and the second on the floor in the far corner of the room. The first shot must have gone through the left hand top corner of the pillow, as it is pierced and blackened, while the second entered the left side of deceased's mouth and passed out through the top of the head.

About six weeks ago Mr. de Bavier asked Mr. Berthel, one of the principal members of his staff, to lead him a revolver, saying that he was going on a houseboat trip with a friend and they might do some shooting at night. They would put up for amusement. Mr. Berthel loaned his chief a Colt army service revolver and twenty cartridges, telling him that if he wanted to get more cartridges he should purchase them. When Mr. de Bavier asked for the revolver Mr. Berthel looked at him and Mr. de Bavier remarked:—"What are you looking at me for? do you think I want to kill myself?" They both laughed and the weapon was handed over. The houseboat trip did not take place and as Mr. de Bavier was in the office at 1.30 a.m. yesterday Mr. Berthel went to Mr. de Bavier's room and he was in bed. They talked on business matters. The revolver case was then in the room.

Ernest de Bavier was a Swiss residing in Shanghai under British protection. He was a well-known and highly-respected business man in Shanghai and the Far East generally. His first came to China about forty years ago and was a partner in the firm of Bavier, Meyer and Co., exporters of silk, hides, gait skins &c. After spending about ten years in the East Mr. de Bavier went to Europe and he started a business house in Lyons in conjunction with his brother who had a business in Yokohama. In 1889 or 1890 Mr. de Bavier returned to China and continued to direct the business of Bavier, Meyer and Co. In 1896 the firm was styled E. Bavier and Co. and deceased was sole partner up to the date of his death. Mr. de Bavier made frequent trips to Europe in recent years, spending much time at German watering places; only last October he returned to Shanghai after a holiday of seven months in Europe. For some years he had been suffering from kidney trouble and Dr. von Schwab was his medical attendant in Shanghai. He had been confined to his bed for the past two or three days, but was frequently consoled on business matters and his actions were perfectly natural even within an hour of his death, although he was very depressed. Heavy pecuniary losses, it is to be feared, were the immediate cause of his sad end. The recent failure of several silk houses at Lyons had seriously embarrassed his firm while large investments in hides had proved an additional incubus.

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THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KI CHING PO (trading as TONG TAI & CO.) of No. 200, Wing Lok Street West Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, has applied for the registration of the following Trade Marks, viz.:

A. The representation of a GRAMOPHONE including the trumpet affixed to the box with handle complete, on the left hand side of the box in the word "BEST" on the right hand side of the box is the word "FLOUR" above the picture are the words "GRAMOPHONE BRAND" and below the picture are the words "KI CHING PO" and the Chinese characters 榮發隆 meaning Gramophone and below the picture are the words "KI CHING PO" and the Chinese characters 榮發隆.

B. The representation of an Electric Tractor with passengers seated therein and the Electric rod connected with overhead wire together with the street station on left supporting overhead wire above the picture are the words "ELECTRIC TRAMWAY BRAND" and below the picture are the words "KI CHING PO" and the Chinese characters 榮發隆.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

FLOWER SHOW, IN THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), 26th FEBRUARY: Open 2 P.M. till 6 P.M. Admission 31. LADY LUGARD has kindly consented to distribute the Prizes at 5 P.M.

TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), 27th FEB. Open 10.30 A.M. to 5 P.M. Admission 50 cents, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Admission 20 cents. Children Half Price.

Tickets will be obtainable on the Grounds, by permission of Lieut. Col. RAYNE and Officers, the Band of the Second Battalion Queen's Own, Cameron Highlanders will play on both days from 2.30 to 6 P.M.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1908. 413

HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

REDUCTION OF RATE.

On and after the 1st March, 1908, the Company's Standard Rate for the supply of Electricity will be REDUCED from 35 Cents to 30 Cents per Board of Trade Unit.

W. H. WICKHAM, Manager.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 419.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

APPLICATION will be received by the Undersigned on the 24th February 1908, for the Post-FACTING SECRETARY to the above Club for Twelve Months from the 1st April, 1908 to the 1st April, 1909, with the prospect of a permanent appointment as Secretary.

Applicants should be unmarried as residence on the Club Premises is essential.

By Order, J. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1908. 265

"TAI-VO" BANK, MACAO.

IN LIQUIDATION.

THE Undersigned, Managing Partner of the "TAI-VO" Bank, in Liquidation, begs to inform the Public of the following:

(A) That by virtue of a public deed drawn up by the notary public Mr. ASSUMPCAIO on the 7th day of February, 1908, Mr. LI HIP-UI, employee of the Firm "HANG-VO" of this City, did bind himself to

FIRSTLY, remit to the "TONG-TAI-TAI" Bank, in Hongkong, on account of the "TAI-VO" Bank, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), in order to enable the first named bank to meet its debts.

SECONDLY, pay to the creditors of the "TAI-VO" Bank, 75% of the amounts to their credit, according to the agreement made by Public deed on 3rd of January, 1908, at the Chinese Hospital.

THIRDLY, Collect all money owing to the "TAI-VO" Bank and sell all properties owned by the undersigned in Macao and at Pao-ai (Koumou), so as to reimburse himself for the "TAI-VO" Bank, as already said, he would not make any claim whatsoever on the Undersigned.

(B) That on the said 7th day of February, 1908, the undersigned did hand to Mr. LI HIP-UI a statement of the debts of the "TAI-VO" Bank and all the account-books and of all the debts of the bank, as well as the title deeds of all the properties owned by the undersigned in Macao and at Pao-ai (Koumou), the said Mr. LI HIP-UI being authorized to sell the above-mentioned properties to whatever person and at whatever price he thought fit.

(C) That the said Mr. LI HIP-UI did enter upon this engagement on the distinct understanding that in the event of the proceeds of the sale and of the money collected not being sufficient to cover the sum of \$100,000 remitted to the "TONG-TAI-TAI" Bank in Hongkong, the said Mr. LI HIP-UI, as already said, he would not make any claim whatsoever on the Undersigned.

(D) That by virtue of the said deed of the 7th February 1908, Messrs. LU-KUONG-UI and CHUI-HONG, Merchants and Proprietors of this City, did bind themselves as guarantors to the said Mr. LI HIP-UI, in which state they are to be held responsible for any acts performed by the said Mr. LI HIP-UI in the fulfilment of the duties he has assumed of his own free will, as well as for any engagements he may enter upon. The said Messrs. LU-KUONG-UI and CHUI-HONG further declared in the same deed that should the amount collected from the debtors of the "TAI-VO" Bank and the proceeds of the sale of the properties be not sufficient to reimburse Mr. LI HIP-UI for the remittance and the payments made, they would pay the difference without being entitled to make any claim on the Undersigned.

PUN-LAI-SAN, 潘禮臣

Macao, 16th February, 1908. 414

E. R.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:

On TUESDAY, the 25th February:—

From Lyceum and D.P. in a South-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 14,000 yards commencing at 2.30 P.M., and finishing at 6 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 27th February:—

From Pinewood in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards commencing at 10.30 A.M., and finishing at 2 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 28th February to TUESDAY, the 3rd March:—

Landranges: from Mt. Parker and District over the Nicholson-Stanley-D'Aguilar-Pottenger Peak-Boa Vista area commencing at 10.30 A.M., and finishing at 4 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 5th March:—

From Lai-chikok in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1908. 403

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

WE have admitted into PARTNERSHIP Mr. CHARLES EDWARD HARTNELL BEAVIS as from the 1st January, 1908.

WILKINSON & GRIST, Solicitors.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1908. 403

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS CO., LTD.

MR. J. McCUBBIN is appointed Acting Local Secretary during the absence of Mr. GEORGE CURRY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Local Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 418

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the General Managers at 11.30 A.M. on MONDAY, 2nd March to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1907 and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th instant to the 2nd proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. 393

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-NINTH MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th February to 5th March, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1908. 365

THE HONGKONG MILLING CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, King's Buildings, at 12 o'clock Noon on SATURDAY, the 7th March, 1908, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1907.

A. H. RENNIE & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1908. 404

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 7th March, 1908, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1907, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 429

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12.30 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 10th March.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February to the 10th March, 1908, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 387

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND OF EIGHT per cent. per Share for the six months ending 31st December, 1907, declared at MONDAY'S Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be payable at the premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 25th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1908. 427

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

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S. MOUTRIE & CO., LD.
York Building, Chater Road.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1907. 137-2

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE

MRS. GILLANDERS
"CLAREMONT,"
2 & 4, KENNEDY ROAD.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1907. 1530

TO LET

TO LET.

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd
floors of No. 14, DES VŒUX ROAD
CENTRAL, (formerly occupied by Messrs.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.)
Apply to—
THE COMPTON DEPT.,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LTD.,
Connaught Road Central.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1908. 299

TO LET.

FIRST Class European Houses, furnished
or unfurnished, Lochiel Terrace and
Hampshire Avenue, Kowloon.
Apply to—
TAM TSE KONG,
Care of Hip On Insurance, Exchange and
Loan Co., Ltd., 42, Bonham Strand, West.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1907. 94

TO LET.

AUCTION ROOMS, No. 2, Zetland Street,
immediate possession.
Nos. 2 and 4, "FAIRVIEW," ROBINSON
ROAD, Kowloon.
"WOODBURY" GARDEN ROAD.
"ROSENEATH," KOWLOON.
Apply to—
LEIGH & ORANGE,
1, Des Vœux Road.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1908. 87

TO LET.

N.O. 59, CAINE ROAD.
Nos. 27 and 31, SEYMOUR ROAD.
Apply to—
SAM WANG CO. LTD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1907. 190

TO LET.

OFFICES on Top Floor No. 2, Connaught
Road, facing the Cricket Ground.
No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL
1st floor.
"HATHERLEIGH," Conduit Road.
A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit
Road.
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING,
GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE
BUILDINGS and No. 18B, Des Vœux Road
next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.
FLATS in MONTAGNE TERRACE.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST.
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 86

TO LET.

"EGGESFORD" (Furnished) No. 114,
PEAK. Contains 6 ROOMS.
No. 71, WYNDHAM STREET.
"GLENWOOD" CAINE ROAD, suitable
for a Boarding house or Club. Contains 26
Rooms.
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Fine Offices
and Dwelling Rooms.
No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
TOP FLOOR, (over Goldbook MacGregor).
OFFICES in QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
BELLIS, TERRACE HOUSES,
ROBINSON ROAD.
GOOD CENTRAL GODOWN, No. 3a,
DUDELL STREET.
LADBROKE, No. 9, CONDUIT ROAD,
8 Rooms, Furnished or Unfurnished from
15th April, 1908. Large Servants' Quarters
and full sized Tennis Court.
No. 3, DUDELL STREET Shop and
1st floor.
Nos. 1 and 6, DES VŒUX VILLAS
(PEAK).
No. 57, PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 189

TO LET.

DESIRABLE EUROPEAN RESI-
DENCE in MACAO in excellent
position and near Praya Grande.
For terms and particulars, apply to
SUPERINTENDENT,
E. E. TELEGRAPH CO.,
Hongkong, 25th February, 1908. 426

TO LET

LA HACIENDA, East, Mount Kellet,
The Peak, unfurnished, with 255
feet Sea Frontage. For particulars apply to
the undersigned.

C. H. GRACE,
Care of Secretary's Office,
Hongkong Club.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1908. 811

TO LET.

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,
Apply to—
SECRETARY,
A. S. WATSON & CO., Limited.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. 691

TO LET.

FROM 1st MAY.
KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yauwahi,
Area 85,200 square feet and with 255
feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage
of Coal, Timber, &c.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
FINANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. 221

TO LET.

CHAMBERS in No. 2, WYNDHAM
STREET, Moderate Rent.
First Floor of No. 6, Queen's Road
Central, comprising Six Large Rooms
and Outhouses suitable for business. Pre-
mises or Dwellings, now occupied by
FERD. BORNEMANN & CO.
Second Floor of No. 8A, DES VŒUX
ROAD CENTRAL, above the Office of DAVID
SASSOON & Co. Ltd.
Apply to—
DAVID SASSOON & Co. Ltd.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1908. 98

TO LET.

PER 1st January, One OFFICE ROOM
on Second Floor, Prince's Buildings.
Apply to—
REUTER, BROECKELMANN & CO.,
Hongkong, 9th December, 1907. 102

TO LET.

LARGE OFFICE ROOM on First Floor
of No. 16, DES VŒUX ROAD.
Apply to—
FERD. BORNEMANN,
No. 16, Des Vœux Road Central
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908. 144

TO LET.

"FAIRVIEW" No. 1, Robinson Road,
Hongkong, furnished or unfurnished.
Furniture can be purchased if desired, 6 big
Rooms, nice view of harbour.
Apply to—
Messrs J. ULLMANN & Co.,
31, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 382

TO LET.

NO. 5, MORRISON HILL.
One FOUR ROOMED HOUSE at Praya
East, near East Point.
Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1907. 93

TO LET.

4 and 5-ROOMED HOUSES in Kowloon.
COMMODOUS SHOP in Des Vœux Road
Central, Hongkong. Immediate possession.
Moderate rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. 117

TO LET.

THE ROOMS on the first floor of No. 34,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite
the General Post Office. The Rooms are
light, spacious and well ventilated. Very
moderate rent. Immediate Possession.
Apply to—
YEE SANG FAT & CO.
Same address.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1907. 270

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNOTSFORD TERRACE
KOWLOON.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 185

TO LET.

N.O. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD.
Apply to—
COMPTON DEPT.,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 8th June, 1908. 188

TO LET—AT CANTON.

EIGHT ROOMED HOUSE on
SHAMSHAN.
Apply to—
A.H. 99,
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908. 251

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 101, Praya East.
Apply to—
CHATER & MODY,
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1908. 212

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAYA, Ken-
nedy Town.
Apply to—
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
& AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 260

TO LET.

SIX ROOMED HOUSE at ELLIOT
OBSCURE, Robinson Road. Furnished
or Unfurnished.
Apply to—
F. X. D'ALMEIDA & CASTRO,
83, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1908. 100

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY

WATER FORM GRANITE—SEEING ONE'S OWN
EYE—A MICROSCOPE FOR COMFORT—A
HIGH VACUUM FROM-EMME—AN IMPROVED
SOAP—THE NEW DIPHTHERIA CURE—
ELECTRIC ANAESTHESIA—INDUCATING THE
DEAF-TO HEAR—CHIFFER MEAT.

Experiments show that while the sedimentary
rocks may absorb several per cent of their vol-
ume of water—sandstones 15 per cent, lime-
stones 5 per cent and shales 8 per cent—gran-
ites and other crystalline rocks seldom absorb
more than one-half of one per cent of their
volume, and until within a few years it was
thought to be absurd to sink a well in the
harder rocks. Frederick G. Clapp, of the U.
S. Geological Survey, has now reported that
about 187 per cent of the wells in granite in
southern Maine supply water enough for
domestic use. Water percolates very slowly
through the rock but more sinks into the
vertical joints, and a moderate quantity of
water in the horizontal joints and crevices
down to a depth of 200 feet, the amount being
so limited that only two out of 72 successful
wells yielded more than 50 gallons per minute.
The wells are drilled only in the surface rocks,
two-thirds being not over 100 feet deep.

A novel apparatus to enable a person to study
the internal structure of his own eye is the
device of a French oculist, Dr. F. F. F. F. F.
The light of a mercury vapor tube is reflected
by a highly polished mirror through two thick lenses
of blue glass to a lens, and this concentrates the
ray upon the eye. From a suitable point behind
the lens, the observer sees the circulation of the
blood in the minute vessels of the eye, with other
details. When a card pierced with a pinhole is
moved rapidly to and fro in front of the eye, the
force, the little depression at the most sensitive
part of the retina, is made visible.

The use of the microscope in the upright
position causing much fatigue, A. A. C. C. C.
Merlin, an English microscopist, has designed a
new eyepiece, which has a prism enabling the
observer to look through the tube from the
side instead of the top.

The water in slaked or hydrated lime is given
off on moderate heating, and by causing the
vapor to expand the residual air in the receiver
of an air pump and then cooling the lime so
that it reabsorbs the moisture, an excellent
high vacuum—which may be greatly varied by
gently heating the lime—may be cheaply and
quickly obtained. Prof. A. Henry, the French
physicist, believes that this simple process will
prove valuable for industrial purposes as well
as in the laboratory. In his experiments the
receiver was connected on one side with a
glass bulb containing about 30 grammes of
slaked lime and on the other side it was con-
nected by a water-absorbing tube with an
ordinary air pump, and after the air had been
partially pumped out the temperature of the
lime was raised to 150 deg. C. by an alcohol
lamp. After about four minutes the
receiver was sealed on the air pump side. The
lime soon absorbs the water vapor left in the
receiver, and if the electrodes of an induction
coil have been attached to the receiver the
vacuum is found to be sufficiently high to
produce cathode rays, while slightly heating the
bulb to lessen the tension will give various other
phenomena, including those of Geissler tubes.

A new detergent, known as "Tetrapol," has
been attracting favorable attention in Europe,
and is claimed to have advantages in scouring
woolens and all kinds of textile goods. The
household soaps claiming increased efficiency
through the presence of hydrocarbons usually
contain petroleum naphtha not exceeding five
per cent. Tetrapol is a yellowish liquid, and is
found to contain 85 per cent of water; 25 of
"Monopol soap" in place of ordinary soap, and
20 of carbon tetrachloride, the special solvent
"Monopol soap," the fatty base, is a red oil
having the peculiarity of solubility in hard
water.

Procyonase serum, the discovery of Prof.
Emerich, of Munich, is claimed to completely
destroy diphtheria bacilli—even in the severest
cases—when sprayed into the patient's throat.

The electric current by which Prof. Leduc
produces anaesthesia is unidirectional, not
alternating. It is of low voltage, and he has
found about 100 interruptions per second by a
special commutator to be most effective,
although an apparatus repeating his experi-
ments at Columbia University gives 4,000 to
6,000 interruptions. The current from ac-
cumulators seems to be more suitable than
that from street mains. With curved and
padded electrodes, at the front and rear
of the head, gradually turning on the
current first causes excitement, as with the
application of chloroform, and slow increase of
current yields unconsciousness with no move-
ment or sign of pain. Any operation can be
performed. Awakening is instantaneous when

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the current is cut off, and vomiting and other
unpleasant after-effects of chloroform are
entirely absent. In the one trial thus far made
on a human subject—that on Prof. Leduc
himself—the experiment was not carried to the
stage of complete anaesthesia.

In the experience of Dr. Maraga, as reported
to the Paris Academy of Medicine, very few
deaf-mutes have proven absolutely inamiable,
but of the others there are two classes—those
who eventually understand and speak almost as
well as anybody, and those who get no further
than hearing and understanding music. A recent
class of pupils from eleven to fourteen years of
age had been given a six weeks' course of acoustic
exercise with the voice siren. By this system
the teacher avoids fatigue, and the children had
not only acquired the ability to hear and
understand French, but their voices had lost
the harshness characteristic of deaf mutes.

Horse-flesh has been prized as food in China
for six centuries, but in Europe was first eaten
100 years ago by the Danes. At Liege, Belgium,
2000 horses were slaughtered in 1905, and the
rapidly increasing demand promises to open a
new market for American horses. Only young
animals are sent to the slaughter houses.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

OLD AGE VERSIONS.
The following is the Speech delivered by the
King at the opening of Parliament.
My Lords and Gentlemen—
The visit of the German Emperor with his
Imperial Consort during the past autumn was
a source of great pleasure to Me, and to the
Queen. The cordial reception given to their
Majesties by My people was warmly appreciated
and cannot fail to confirm the friendly relations
existing between the two nations.

The lamented death of the King of Sweden
has caused Me much sorrow.
My relations with foreign Powers continue
to be friendly.
My Government, animated by the sincere
desire to settle by mutual agreement certain
questions concerning the interests of Great
Britain and Russia on the Continent of Asia,
have concluded with the Russian Government a
Convention relating to their respective
interests in Persia, Afghanistan, and Tibet.
The terms of this Convention have already been
laid before you, and, acting in its spirit, the
two Governments have been able, notwithstanding
disturbances and complications in Persia,
to maintain a peaceful policy.

My Government have joined with the
Governments of France, Germany, and Russia
in a Treaty for preserving the integrity of
the Kingdom of Norway. The text of the
Treaty will be published in due course.
The correspondence recently presented to you
placed you in possession of the results of the
Second International Peace Conference at The
Hague, which concluded its labours in October
last. The various instruments annexed to the
Final Act of that Conference show the progress
that has been made, and they are receiving the
attentive consideration of My Government.
One of the most important of these instruments
establishes the great principle of the International
Court of Arbitration in Prize cases. My Govern-
ment are considering the question of inviting rep-
resentatives of the leading maritime nations to
attend a Conference in London in the course of
next autumn, with a view of coming to an
international law for the guidance of the
Court.

The condition of the Christian and Mus-
salm populations in the Macedonian vilayets
shows no improvement. The bands of different
nationalities continue to pursue a campaign
of violence, and the situation gives a serious
cause for anxiety. The Great Powers of
Europe have agreed to present to the Turkish
Government a scheme for the improvement of
the judiciary in that region, and My Govern-
ment have made further proposals to the
Sultan, and also to the Great Powers, for deal-
ing legally with the principal cause of
disturbance.

My Government are fully aware of the great
anxiety felt with regard to the treatment of
the native population in the Congo State.
Their sole desire is to see government of
that State honestly administered in accordance
with the spirit of the Berlin Act, and I trust
that the negotiations now proceeding between
the Sovereign of the Congo State and the
Belgian Government will secure the object.

Negotiations are being conducted with the
Government of the United States for an
agreement to refer to the International Court
of Arbitration at The Hague questions pend-
ing between the two Governments which relate
to the Newfoundland fisheries. It is hoped
that by this friendly procedure a long-standing
source of difficulty may be satisfactorily
removed.

The difficulty which had arisen respecting
Japanese immigration into Canada has been
settled on terms agreed upon between the
respective Governments.

I sincerely lament to have to inform you
that, owing to failure of the rains over parts
of India during last year, conditions of
scarcity, accompanied by much sickness, have
arisen. Prompt and well-considered measures
of relief have been taken, and the situation is
faced both by the sickened people and by My
Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

Estimates for the expenditure of the year
will in due course be laid before you.
In connection with the financial arrange-
ments of the year proposals will be brought
forward for making better provision for old
age, and legislation with that object will be
submitted.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
Bills will be laid before you for the following
purposes:

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EASTERN, British str., 2,272, W. G. McArthur, 25th February—Rebo 20th Feb., General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

GRAND, British str., 2,301, S. H. Gibson, 25th February—Mojito 21st Feb., General—David, Sassoon & Co.

HAINING, British str., 742, A. Cornelissen, 25th February—Colon 12th February.

HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Cornelissen, 25th February—Haiphong and Hoihow 23rd February, General—A. R. Marty.

KNIVBERG, German str., 646, D. Bank, 24th February—Shanghai 21st Feb., Ballast—Jensen & Co.

KWONGSANG, British str., 25th Feb.—Canton, LANDAUER, German str., 1,640, H. Grandi, 25th February—Seigon 19th Feb., Rio—Siemens & Co.

PARTING, British str., 3,995, G. Rodway, 25th February—Singapore 19th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.

P. COSSA, Norwegian str., 1,671, T. Schjorvik, 25th February—Sandakan 19th February, Tinker and Firewood—Waller & Co.

RHENANIA, German str., 6,340, C. von Hoff, 25th February—Shanghai 22nd February, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

SILVA, German str., 1,305, F. D. Northcote, 24th February—Shanghai 21st February, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE MARSHES OFFICE.
25th February.
Kagoshima Maru, Jap. str., for Singapore.
Momonokuchi, British str., for Shanghai.
Signal, German str., for Swatow.
Singer, British str., for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.

AMARA, British str., for Tsingtau.
AMIGO, German str., for Hoihow.
DEUTER, Norwegian str., for Nagasaki.
FUKURA MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
HAUMUN, British str., for Coast Ports.
HONKONG, German str., for Shanghai.
KANAKO, British str., for Tientsin.
KANROO, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
NEVIA, German str., for Singapore.
TEAN, British str., for Manila.
WILMINGTON, American str., for Manila.
YOCROW, British str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. **Gregory** reports: Fine weather throughout, with strong monsoon through the Formosa Channel and from there to Hongkong.

The British str. **Eastern** reports: Left Kobe on Thursday, the 24th inst. at 4 p.m. and light N.W. wind to Hsienan Island, when wind shifted to North and N.E. with moderate strength, from Turnabout Island, strong N.E. monsoon and high sea with heavy weather to port, arrived Hongkong at a.m. on 25th inst.

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	FLAG & REG.	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c., via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DELIA	Brit. str.	—	C. L. Daniel, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 7th Mar., at Noon.
LONDON & AMSTERDAM VIA SINGAPORE &c.	SOCOTRA	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Hickey	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 8th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE & HAMBURG &c.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	—	V. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 8th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	ERNEST SIMONS	Ger. str.	—	H. Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 3rd Mar., at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	KANAKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Petersen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th Mar., at 1 p.m.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA SINGAPORE &c.	SANUKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. J. H. Parsons	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th Mar., at 4 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	NOBIA	Brit. str.	—	Schillinghamer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	CATHAY	Dan. str.	—	F. J. R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 11th Mar.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	—	Hasse	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	End of March.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAVONIA	Ger. str.	—	Kolste	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th Mar.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERIA, GIBRALTAR, &c.	RYST	Ger. str.	—	Rad. Meyer	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 4 p.m.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	KENNEDY	Brit. str.	—	Beaton	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 7th March.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	SAINT PATRICK	Brit. str.	—	...	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	About 16th March.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 12th Mar., at 4 p.m.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN.	LENNOX	Brit. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th Mar., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE, WASH., &c.	SHAWMUT	Am. str.	—	E. V. Robert	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	On 29th inst.
GALLAO AND IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Tani	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Mar., at 4 p.m.
SAFINA CRUZ, MEXICO VIA MOJI & JAPAN.	ITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Mar., at 4 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA.	KASATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. C. Christiansen	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	First half of April.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA PORT DARWIN &c.	YAMATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	D. Lons	CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO.	On 4th Mar., at 5 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA.	TAITWAN	Jap. str.	—	McArthur	MELCHERS & CO.	On 29th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA.	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Homan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 20th Mar., at Noon.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th Mar., at 4 p.m.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	PALMA	Brit. str.	—	T. L. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th April, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th Mar., at Noon.
JAPAN.	TUPANAS	Dut. str.	—	G. W. Cockman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 29th inst.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENTSIN.	HUCHOW	Brit. str.	—	T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th Mar., at Noon.
VLADIVOSTOCK.	CURONIA	Swed. str.	—	E. Forsyth	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
TSINGTAU, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOCK.	KOWLOON	Ger. str.	—	T. Stehr	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. P. Baker	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LD.	On 5th Mar.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	MAIMORA	Brit. str.	—	G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	YUNAN	Brit. str.	—	W. O. Jones	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	TAIQUAN	Dan. str.	—	A. Stewart	MELCHERS & CO.	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	ARATON APCAR	Brit. str.	—	Robertson	DAVID SASSOON & CO. LTD.	On 28th inst., at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	CHINKIANG	Brit. str.	—	P. Northcote	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	YOCROW	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BORNEO	Brit. str.	—	A. Mocher	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	TAKASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Broos	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 2nd March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	POLYNESIE	Ger. str.	—	C. Binzer	MELCHERS & CO.	On 3rd March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	H. Harder	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th Mar., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	LIANGCHOW	Brit. str.	—	H. Harder	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	J. Millett	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LD.	On 13th Mar., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	W. E. Sawyer	OSAKA SHOGUN KAISHA	On 1st Mar., at 10 a.m.
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	T. Merrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LD.	On 6th Mar., at 4 p.m.
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	M. H. H.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	F. Smith	MELCHERS & CO.	Middle of March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	E. J. Todd	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LD.	To-morrow, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	BELEGRAVIA	Ger. str.	—	S. H. Bolton	DAVID SASSOON & CO. LTD.	On 3rd Mar., at 3 p.m.
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA	"LAISANG"	Thursday, 27th Febr., 3 p.m.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 28th Febr., 4 p.m.
MANILA	"YUONSANG"	Friday, 6th March, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Friday, 13th March, 4 p.m.

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HONGKONG, 26th February, 1908.

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LONDON via Usual Ports of Call	DELTA Capt. C. L. Daniel	Nov. 7th March	See Special Advertisement.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP	CUBA Capt. F. J. Fox	About 11th March	Freight and Passage.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 26th Febr., 10 A.M.
CEBU and LILLOLO	"KALFONG"	On 26th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"YUNNAN"	On 27th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINKIANG"	On 27th Febr., 4 P.M.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENTSIN	"YCHOOW"	On 28th Febr., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"HUICHOW"	On 29th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LIANGCHOW"	On 3rd Mar., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBANGA, PORT DAWUN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, POWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCE- STON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and PERTH	"TAIYUAN"	On 9th Mar., 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1908.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"KLEIST" Capt. RUD. MEYER	Wed. day, 26th Febr., at 4 P.M.
From the Kowloon Wharf, instead of the Company's Bury.		
MANILA, SAMARAI, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. LENZ	Tuesday, 3rd Mar., at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. v. BINZER	About Tuesday 3rd March.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBIL	Middle of March.

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1908.

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1908.

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TJIMAH	JAVA	Second half of Febr.	JAVA PORTS	First half of March
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN	First half of March
TJILATJAE	JAVA	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1908.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGA- PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	KAWACHI MARU Capt. H. Peterson, Tons 6237	WED. DAY, 4th March, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, WASH. via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SANUKI MARU Capt. S. J. G. Parsons, Tons 6132	WED. DAY, 18th March, at Daylight.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	AKI MARU Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6414	TUESDAY, 3rd March, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	IYO MARU Capt. Wm. Thompson, Tons 6320	TUESDAY, 17th March, at 4 P.M.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU Capt. K. Houtani, Tons 3818	FRIDAY, 9th March, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. T. L. Harrison, Tons 5538	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
	TAKASAKI MARU Capt. A. Mocher, Tons 4746	MONDAY, 2nd March.
	INABA MARU Capt. Wm. Bainbridge, Tons 6189	SATURDAY, 7th March, at Daylight.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 5538	WED. DAY, 18th March, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1908.

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STEAMSHIP "SHAWMUT"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-
HAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND
MANILA.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature and to take immediate delivery of
their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 20th February, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"DELHI"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark
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4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-
dows for examination by the Consignees and the
Company's representative at an appointed
hour. All claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be recognised. No
Claims will be admitted after the Goods have
left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 21st February, 1908.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBORO,
LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship
"MONMOUTHSHIRE"

Capt. Warner, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 1st March, will be subject
to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on MONDAY, the 1st March,
at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE H. A. L. Steamship
"HOHENSTAUFEN"

Captain Porzelius, having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for counter signature by
the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the hazardous and/or extra Kowloon
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here, after which date
they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 2nd March, will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 2nd March, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1908.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.
AKI MARU, Japanese str., 3,995, M. Yagi, 23rd February—Kobe and Shanghai 20th Feb.
ANTWERP, British str., 3,985, Huxland, 21st February—Shanghai 19th Feb. General— Butterfield & Swire.
ASIA, British str., 4,975, Harry Gaurkroger, 23rd February—San Francisco 21st Jan. and Manila 21st Feb. Mails and General— O. & O. S. S. Co.
CHONGCHING, British str., 1,256, F. Wheeler, 15th February—Chefoo via Weihaiwei 10th Feb. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHINKIANG, British str., 1,239, F. Robertson, 19th February—Wuhu 14th Feb. General— Butterfield & Swire.
CHIPSING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 29th January—Saratoga 28th January, General— Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 22nd February—Shanghai 19th Feb. General— Chinese.
CYCLOPS, British str., 5,748, H. C. Harris, 23rd February—Tacoma via Moji 19th Feb.
DAWSON, Norwegian str., 883, O. Abrahamson, 24th February—Sigen 16th Feb. Rice— Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.
DERWENT, British str., 1,556, J. Jenkins, 15th Feb.—Saigon 11th Feb. Rice—Chinese.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 3,043, R. Archibald, B.N.R., 13th Feb. Vancouver, B.C. 25th Jan. and Shanghai 11th Feb. Mails and General—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.
ENTIN, German str., 1,199, E. v. Wagner, 11th February—Tientsin 6th February, Coal—Jensen & Co.
ESANG, British str., 1,171, L. P. 20th February— Wuhu 15th February, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HAIJOTS, Dutch str., 1,070, H. Ischoer, 15th February—Balk, Pappas 6th February, Liquid Fuel—Asiatic Petroleum Co.
HUICHOW, British str., 1,264, E. Forsyth, 20th February—Haiphong & Hoihow 19th Feb. General—Butterfield & Swire.
ITSUKUSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 2,893, 22nd February—Singapore 14th Feb. Chinese.
JACON, Dutch str., 1,623, G. v. d. V. 23rd February, Rice—Jensen & Co.
JOHANN, German str., 900, L. P. 18th Feb. —Saigon 13th Feb. General—Jensen & Co.
KAGOSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 4,445, K. Kori, 23rd February—Moji 18th February, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KAIPOING, British str., 1,064, H. Mathias, 9th Feb. —Cebu and Iloilo 4th Feb. General— Butterfield & Swire.
KIKWING, Chinese str., 1,002, Brissander, 16th February—Chinkiang 13th February, General—Chinese.
KWONGKONG, British str., 1,428, W. Palmer- Baker, 20th Feb.—Shanghai 16th Feb. via Swatow 19th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LAISANG, British str., 3,960, E. J. Todd, 16th Feb.—Calcutta Feb. 1st, and Swatow 11th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LENNOX, British str., 2,361, F. McNair, 16th February—Moji 14th February, Coal— Dodwell & Co.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,092, Payne, 24th February—Manila 21st February, General— Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LOYAL, German str., 1,237, F. Natus, 18th February—Bangkok 6th February, Rice— Sander, Weller & Co.
MANDAL, Norwegian str., 1,197, K. Gabrielsen, 23rd February—Saigon 17th Feb. Rice and Paddy—Wallon & Co.
MARIE, German str., 1,169, P. E. Christiansen, 13th February—Saigon 13th February, General—China Commercial S.S. Co.
MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, R. Houghton, 29th January—Sunderland 23rd January, Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MONMOUTHSHIRE, British str., 3,306, G. E. Warner, 24th February—Singapore 16th February, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
NANSHAN, British str., 1,293, Allan Jones, 6th February—Saigon 1st February, Rice— Bradley & Co.
PERRA, British str., 2,744, A. Dixon, 11th Jan. —San Francisco 7th Dec. & Portland, Or. 15th Dec. Flour—O. & O. S. S. Co.
PONGTONG, German str., 998, W. Böttinger, 8th Feb.—Bangkok 24th January, Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.
PRONTO, Norwegian str., 938, T. Seeberg, 21st January—Saigon 19th Jan. Rice & Flour— Wallon & Co.
RUBI, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 24th February—Manila 21st Feb. General— Shewan, Tomes & Co.
SEXTA, German str., 992, Dealer, 21st February— Saigon 14th Feb. Rice—Siemens & Co.
SHAWMUT, American str., 6,192, E. V. Roberts, 20th February—Seattle 7th Jan. via Manila 17th February, General—Dodwell & Co.
SIGNAI, German str., 907, G. Schalkh, 23rd February—Haiphong Feb. 15th, & Hoihow 22nd, General—Jensen & Co.
SINGAN, British str., 1,046, F. Jamieson, 22nd Feb.—Haiphong and Hoihow 20th Feb. Rice and Live Stock

POST OFFICE NOTICE

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The *Hongkong*, with the American mail, left Shanghai and may be expected here to-morrow at 8 a.m.
The *Polynesia*, with the French mail of the 31st January, left Singapore on Monday, the 24th instant, at 6 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 2nd March. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 28th December.

FOR	FROM	DATE
Halphong	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore and Colombo	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 1.00 P.M.
Taipei	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 1.15 P.M.
Macao	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.
Cebu and Hongkong	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.
Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Singapore	Wednesday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA via Taitorin.
Late Letters 3.00 to 3.34 P.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.

Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Taipei	Thursday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Taipei	Thursday, 27th, 1.15 P.M.
Quang Chow Wan, Hoihow, Pakhoi and	Taipei	Thursday, 27th, 2.00 P.M.
Daiphong	Taipei	Thursday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Taipei	Friday, 28th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Taipei	Friday, 28th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai and Chinkiang	Taipei	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Serow, Amoy and Foochow	Taipei	Friday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai and Chinkiang	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 2.00 P.M.
Macao	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 3.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
Tacoma	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cook	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
town, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney,	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Mel-	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
bourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Taipei	Saturday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.

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Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
B.C. and Seattle Wash.	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Madras,	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Bombay, Swatow, Shanghai, Victoria, B.C.,	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
San Francisco, New Zealand, Melbourne,	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Gregory	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Moji, Salina Cruz	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
B.C. and Seattle Wash.	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Amoy, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Madras,	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Bombay, Swatow, Shanghai, Victoria, B.C.,	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
San Francisco, New Zealand, Melbourne,	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Kawachi	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA,
HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the
time fixed for departure of the mail.
Extra Postage 10 cents.)

EUROPE &c., India via Taitorin.
(Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon. Extra
Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes
in time for the first clearance will be
included in this contract mail.)
The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday,
the 6th March at 5 p.m.

Macao, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday
Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville,
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TO-DAY.
Sale, Wines, &c., Sales Rooms, Messrs.
Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.
Flower Show, Botanic Garden, 2 p.m.
TO-MORROW.
Sale, Household Furniture, a No. 1, Des
Vaux Villas, Mount Kallet, Peak, Messrs.
Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.—	February 25th.
Telegraphic Transfer	1 10 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1 10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1 10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	1 10 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight	1 11 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months sight	1 11 1/2
ON PARIS.—	February 25th.
Bank Bills, on demand	238
Credits, at 4 months sight	243 1/2
ON GERMANY.—	February 25th.
Bank Bills, on demand	193 1/2
ON NEW YORK.—	February 25th.
Bank Bills, on demand	46
Credits, at 60 days sight	47 1/2
ON BOHRA.—	February 25th.
Telegraphic Transfer	142
Bank on demand	142 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—	February 25th.
Telegraphic Transfer	142
Bank, on demand	142 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	February 25th.
Bank, at sight	74 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	75 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	92 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	92 1/2
ON BATAVIA.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	113 1/2
ON HATPHONG.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	81 p.m.
ON SANGKOK.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	81 p.m.
ON SOERABAYA.—	February 25th.
On demand—Pence	81 p.m.
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$54.80
SILVER, per oz.	25 1/2

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese	20 cents pieces	per cent.
Hongkong	10	8.50
"	20	7.25
"	10	7.25

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—	February 25th.
Malwa New	2940 per picul
Malwa Old	2970
Malwa Older	3000
Malwa V. Old	3040
Malwa fine quality	3080
Persian extra fine	3280
Peking New	2875 per chest
Peking Old	2880
Benares New	2975
Benares Old	2975

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The *Apur* str. *Arratoon* from Calcutta
left Singapore on the afternoon of the 19th inst.,
and may be expected here to-day a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Kleist* left Shanghai on Sun-
day, the 18th inst. at midnight, and may be
expected here to-day at 6 a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Luise* leaving carrying the
German Mails with dates from Berlin of the
4th inst. left Colombo on 21st inst. and may be
expected here on or about the 2nd prox.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig* left Genoa
on the 5th inst. at 8 a.m., and may be expected here
on or about the 4th prox.

The I.G.M. str. *Manila* left Sydney on
Tuesday, 11th inst. p.m., and may be expected
here on or about the 4th prox.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Mongolia* will be due to arrive
at this port at 8 a.m. to-morrow, the 27th inst.
from San Francisco via Honolulu, Japan ports
and Shanghai.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Express of India* left
Vancouver p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th inst. for
Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Barber Line str. *Satsuma* from New
York, left Singapore on 15th inst. p.m., and is
due here to-day.

The Ben Line str. *Benmore* from Antwerp
and London, left Singapore on the 18th inst.
for this port.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. *Polynesia* with the French Mail
of the 2nd inst. and Mails from London of the
1st inst. left Singapore on Monday, the 24th
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JOINT STOCK SHARE.

Hongkong, February 25th.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	Pa. 200	Nominal.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$700, sales
		London 478, ex.
		div.
National B. of China	28	36 1/2
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12 1/2	47 1/2, buyers
China-Borneo Co.	12 1/2	31 1/2, sales
China Light & P. Co.	12 1/2	36
China Provident	12 1/2	32 1/2, buyers
Cotton Mills		
Ewo	11 1/2	11 1/2, 33
Hongkong	11 1/2	10 1/2, sellers
International	11 1/2	11 1/2, 55
Leong Kung Chow	11 1/2	11 1/2, 25
Soyabone	11 1/2	11 1/2, 270
Dairy Farm	11 1/2	11 1/2
Docks and Wharves		
H. & K. Wharf & G.	150	35 1/2
H. & W. Dock	150	35 1/2
New Amoy Dock	150	100, sellers
Shanghai Dock	150	110, 82
Shanghai & H. Wharf	150	110, 21 1/2
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	150	11 1/2, sellers
Green Island Cement	150	11 1/2, 11 1/2
Hongkong & C. Gas	210	11 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co.	150	11 1/2, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	150	11 1/2, sellers
Hongkong Milling Co. Ltd.	150	11 1/2
Hongkong Rope Co.	150	11 1/2
Insurance—		
Canion	150	124 1/2, seller
China Fire	150	125, seller
China Traders	150	125, buyers
Hongkong Fire	150	125 1/2
North China	150	125, 35
Union	150	125, sales
Yangtze	150	125 1/2
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	150	101, sales
Humphrey's Estate	150	110
Kowloon Land & B.	150	100, sellers
Westpoint Building	150	110, x.d.
Mining—		
Charminage	150	125, buyers
Haile	150	125
Peak Tramways	150	125
Philippine Co.	150	125, buyers
Rubber—		
China Sugar	150	111 1/2, buyers
Lamson Sugar	150	111 1/2, buyers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manila	150	110, sellers
Douglas Steamship	150	110
Edwin & M.	150	110
Indo-China S.N. Co.	150	110
Shell Transport Co.	150	110
Star Ferry	150	110
Do. New	150	110
South China M. Post	150	110
Steam Laundry Co.	150	110
Stores & Dispensaries	150	110
Campbell, M. & Co.	150	110
Edwards & Co., Wm.	150	110
Watson & Co., A. S.	150	110
Weissmann, Ltd.	150	110
United Asbestos	150	110
Do. Founders	150	110
Union Waterboat Co.	150	110

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 23th to 3rd March, 1908.

High Water.	Low Water.
Hour.	Hour.
Day.	Day.
Mon.	Mon.
Tue.	Tue.
Wed.	Wed.
Thu.	Thu.
Fri.	Fri.
Sat.	Sat.
Sun.	Sun.
Mon.	Mon.
Tue.	Tue.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 25th.

Barometer	50.15	50.21	50.14
Thermometer	59	61	63
Humidity	66	68	71
Wind Direction	W	W	W
Force	2	2	2
Weather	c	c	b
Rain	0	0	0
Highest open air Temperature on 24th	62		
Lowest open air Temperature on 25th	56		

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